The Humility of Christ, a Beauty beyond Compare

Humility

Humility, defined by the dictionary as a humble, obedient, and respectful attitude. In His relationship with the Heavenly Father, Lord Jesus demonstrated profound humility. It is another character trait of Lord Jesus, of a shining beauty that draws us to Him. It is something that expresses the beauty of the character of Lord Jesus, which we must fall in love with to desire to be humble just as He was. (Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. Matthew 11:29)

We are called to live as He lived, to live humbly as Lord Jesus lived, a life that is despised and ignored by most Christians today.

Lord Jesus is the model of humility for us. In His relationship with the Heavenly Father, He demonstrated such profound humility that His judgment was taken away. (In his humiliation his judgment was taken away. Acts 8:33)

To this humility, in which our judgment is taken away, we are also called. If we are honest with ourselves, we must admit that it is a difficult call and one that is despised by most. (And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death. Philippians 2:8)

The attitude of humility and absolute submission is highlighted by the fact that He judged only as He heard from the Father, without seeking to do His own will, but only the will of God, this is how Lord Jesus lived. (I can of mine own self do nothing: as I hear, I judge: and my judgment is just; because I seek not mine own will, but the will of the Father which hath sent me. John 5:30)

He demonstrated such profound humility that He became obedient unto death. (Who, when he was reviled, reviled not again; when he suffered, he threatened not; but committed himself to him that judgeth righteously. 1 Peter 2:23)

Let us ask ourselves: Do we love this Jesus who has such a humble behavior towards His Father? Do we love this Jesus who submitted to the Father in all things? Would we like to be the wife of such a Man, who has no opinions of His own but does only what His Father tells Him? Do we love this character trait with all our hearts so much that we desire to be like Him, to live as He lived? (Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God. 1 Peter 5:6)

Check yourself! Do you live humbly in your relationship with God? Are you humble and submissive in all things as Lord Jesus lived?

Godliness

Godliness, defined in the dictionary as an attitude of admiration, deep respect, and strict obedience

Another character trait of the Lord Jesus, which is of perfect beauty, is godliness. The Word of Scripture tells us that the Lord Jesus was heard by the Heavenly Father because of His godliness. (Hebrews 5:7)

Lord Jesus admired and loved the Heavenly Father with all His heart and strictly kept all His Word, this is true godliness. We are also called to this, to have the godliness that Lord Jesus had, not just a form of godliness. (The Son can do nothing of himself, but what he seeth the Father do: for what things soever he doeth, these also doeth the Son likewise. John 5:19)

We must understand that only if we come to live in full obedience to the laws of the Kingdom, which are flawless/perfect, as Lord Jesus lived, can we reach the perfection of our character.

Lord Jesus came to earth to teach us godliness, which is admiration and strict obedience. (If any man teach otherwise, and consent not to wholesome words, even the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to the doctrine which is according to godliness; he is proud, knowing nothing. 1 Timothy 6:3-4)

We must learn to be godly as Lord Jesus was, so that in the end we may be found obedient in all things as Lord Jesus obeyed the Father.

An example of obedience can be seen in Abraham when he was asked to sacrifice his son Isaac. He did not grumble, he did not negotiate, but he fulfilled exactly as he was commanded. (And he said, Lay not thine hand upon the lad, neither do thou any thing unto him: for now I know that thou fearest God. Genesis 22:12)

All people will have to go through the examination of godliness to be tested and found worthy or unworthy of the Kingdom of God. The status of a citizen of the Kingdom of God obliges everyone to godliness, obliges admiration and strict adherence to His commandments. (For bodily exercise profiteth little: but godliness is profitable unto all things, having promise of the life that now is, and of that which is to come. 1 Timothy 4:8)

Only he who reaches this godliness, of full, unwavering obedience, the obedience that characterized Lord Jesus and which is the opposite of Adam's disobedience, will be found worthy to dwell eternally in the Land above.

We cannot live our whole life in a form of godliness and believe that in the end, by invoking mercy, we will be received into God's paradise. (For men shall be lovers of their own selves... having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away. 2 Timothy 3:2-5)

Check yourself! Do you admire the godliness that Lord Jesus had so much that you desire to be godly like Him?

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